

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 7, 29, and 30, and add new claims 35-38, as shown below.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c), the text of all pending claims, along with their current status, is set forth below.

1. (Currently Amended) An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:

a plurality of source components each including A/V program data, wherein A/V program data comprises audio files, image files, video files, or any combinations thereof;

a first presentation device and a second presentation device; and

a sink component disposed remote from at least one of the plurality of source components, the sink component adapted to display on the first presentation device a menu presenting an aggregation of the A/V program data available from each of the plurality of source components, the sink component adapted to control presentation of desired A/V program data selected from the menu and received from the corresponding source component on the second presentation device.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to enable a user to access ~~the~~ an A/V menu interface associated with the source component corresponding to the desired A/V program data.

4. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register the source component corresponding to the desired A/V program data with the sink component.

5. (Original) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to transfer the A/V program data via a plurality of different types of communication networks.

6. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register a format of the A/V program data available from the plurality of source components with the sink component.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of Claim 1, wherein the plurality of source components ~~includes~~ comprise a satellite receiver ~~component~~, a digital versatile disk (DVD) drive or player component, a cable tuner component, ~~a computer~~, a personal video recorder or digital video recorder (PVR/DVR) component, ~~and, or~~ a compact disc (CD) ~~component~~ drive or player, or any combination thereof.

8. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register the first presentation device and the second presentation device with the sink component.

9. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to filter the A/V program data available from the plurality of source components based on a format of the A/V program data.

10. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to filter the A/V program data available from the plurality of source components based on a type of the second presentation device coupled to the sink component.

11. (Original) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to control a menu function associated with the A/V program data.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to access an A/V program data library of the source component corresponding to the desired A/V program data.

13. (Currently Amended) An audio/video (A/V) component networking method, comprising:

displaying a menu presenting an aggregation of A/V program data available from each of a plurality of source components on a first presentation device, wherein A/V program data comprises audio files, image files, video files, or any combinations thereof; and

controlling, via a sink component, presentation of desired A/V program data selected from the menu and received from the corresponding source component on a second presentation device.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, further comprising performing a registration operation to register the source component corresponding to the desired A/V program data with the sink component.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, further comprising performing a registration operation to register a format of the A/V program data available from the plurality of source components with the sink component.

16. (Canceled).

17. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, further comprising transmitting, via a command issued by the sink component, a command to at least one of the group consisting of a satellite receiver component, a digital versatile disk (DVD) component, a cable component, a computer, and a compact disc (CD) component.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, further comprising accessing an A/V menu interface of the source component associated with the desired A/V program data via the sink component.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 13, further comprising filtering the A/V program data displayed in the menu on the first presentation device based on suitability of a format of the desired A/V program data for the second presentation device.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 13, further comprising filtering the A/V program data displayed in the menu on the first presentation device based on a type of the second presentation device coupled to the sink component.

22-26. (Canceled).

27. (Previously Presented) An audio/video (A/V) component networking method, comprising:

receiving, via a sink component, desired A/V program data selected from a menu presenting an aggregation of A/V program data available from each of a plurality of source components, the menu displayed on a first presentation device, wherein A/V program data comprises audio files, image files, video files, or any combinations thereof;

receiving, via the sink component, the desired A/V program data from a corresponding source component; and
presenting the desired A/V program data on a second presentation device.

28. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 27, further comprising:
receiving an input by the sink component corresponding to a menu interface
presented on the first presentation device; and
transferring the input to the source component corresponding to the desired A/V
program data.

29. (Currently Amended) An audio/video (A/V) component networking system,
comprising:
a source component;
a presentation device; and
a sink component adapted to control presentation of A/V program data received
from the source component on the presentation device, the sink component
adapted to transmit a command to the source component to control display
of an A/V menu data stream on the presentation device, wherein the A/V
program data displayed in ~~[[the]]~~ a menu on the ~~[[first]]~~ presentation
device is filtered based on a suitability of a format of the ~~desired~~ A/V
program data for the presentation device.

30. (Currently Amended) An audio/video (A/V) component networking system,
comprising:
a source component adapted to transmit a stream of A/V menu data to ~~[[the]]~~ a
sink component to enable ~~[[the]]~~ a user to identify, access or control menu
functions or parameters of the source component;
a presentation device; and
~~[[a]]~~ the sink component adapted to control presentation of A/V program data
received from the source component on the presentation device, wherein
the sink component is adapted to transmit a command to the source
component to control display presentation of the A/V menu data stream on
the presentation device, wherein the stream of A/V menu data comprises a

continuous or periodic data flow, thereby enabling automatic updating of A/V menu data provided to the user via the sink component, and wherein the sink component is adapted to filter the A/V program data available from the source component based on a type of the presentation device coupled to the sink component.

31. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the stream of A/V menu data comprises a real time presentation of menu-related information associated with the source component.

32. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the stream of A/V menu data comprises a menu function for identifying various menu functions available from the source component, a library of A/V program data available from the source component, a listing of A/V program data available from the source component, a demodulation display for identifying A/V program data available from the source component, a demodulation display for selecting A/V program data available from the source component, or functions associated with initiating a transfer of selected A/V program data from the source component.

33. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 30, wherein the sink component is adapted to perform a registration operation to register the presentation device with the sink component.

34. (Canceled).

35. (New) The system of Claim 7, wherein at least one of the plurality of source components resides on a server.

36. (New) The system of Claim 1, wherein the plurality of source components comprises a computer.

37. (New) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink and the plurality of source components comprise a distributed architecture in a household or business.

38. (New) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink resides in a room of a household or business, and at least one of the plurality of source components resides in a different room of the household or business.